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TERROR ON INTERNET
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to check terror on the internet;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has identified such websites; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR.SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) and (b): Information Technology Act, 2000 together with Indian Penal Code, 1860 provides legal framework for countering crimes committed through computer and check terror on the internet;

(c) Certain websites which are found to be hosted on Internet publish material to serve the interest of various groups. These websites are largely hosted outside India.

(d) Besides intercepting any information transmitted through any computer resource in relation to interests of the sovereignty or integrity of India, security of the State, Public order etc., the Central Government can also issue instructions to Internet Service Providers for blocking of such websites in India.